

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

[S. J. R. No. 8.] Senate joint resolution to amend section 30, article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That section 30, article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so that it shall hereafter read as follows:

Section 30. The duration of all offices not fixed by this Constitution shall never exceed two years: *Provided*, that when a railroad commission is created by law it shall be composed of three commissioners, who shall be elected by the people at a general election for State officers, and their terms of office shall be six years: *Provided*, railroad commissioners first elected after this amendment goes into effect shall hold office as follows: One shall serve two years, and one four years, and one six years, their terms to be decided by lot, immediately after they shall have qualified. And one railroad commissioner shall be elected every two years thereafter. In case of vacancy in said office, the Governor of the State shall fill said vacancy by appointment until the next general election.

SEC. 2. The foregoing amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election. Those favoring its adoption shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For election of railroad commissioners," and those opposed to its adoption shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against election of railroad commissioners." And the Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Approved May 11, A. D. 1893.

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

(Relative to navigation of Colorado River.)

[S. J. R. No. 14.] Joint Resolution.

Whereas, the Colorado river, one of the most important streams in Texas, and which is susceptible of being made navigable, is obstructed at its mouth by a great mass of raft wood and debris; and

Whereas, the opening of the mouth of said river is a matter of national importance and of particular interest and benefit to the State of Texas: Therefore be it

*Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* 1st. That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to urge upon the Congress of the United States the necessity of an appropriation from the United States government to remove the obstructions to navigation above mentioned.

2d. That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives be requested to have a certified copy of these resolutions furnished our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

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